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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98, and in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, the Office's attention is directed to the patents, publications and other information listed on the attached PTO-1449. A copy of each listed document is enclosed.

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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97(c) this Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the application. No fee is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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